

**A DISGRACEFUL GAME**

AND AN OUTRAGEOUS IMPOSITION UPON THE PUBLIC.

The Lynchburg Ball Players Try to Win the Game by Foul Means—The Score 14 to 11 for Richmond.

Never was the West-End Park the scene of a more disgraceful wrangle than that which took place yesterday afternoon about 7:35 o'clock, when the Legislators scored three times in the tenth inning, and then put out two men for the Lynchburg representatives almost as quickly as it can be recorded here.

It is said that the exhibition that fairly shocked the eyes, ears and feelings of the fourteen hundred spectators was no worse than the Hill Climbers have made before. If this be true, the management of the Virginia State League would not only do the correct thing, but the only charitable thing left for them to do, were to rule the Lynchburg club out of the League and have no more dealings with them.

To the man who pays his hard-earned cash to witness ball games, and who has the right to sit in grand stands, up to the nose of the blemishes, and witness outrageous contentions, disgraceful wrangles, smooth exhibitions of faulness, and all manner of foul play, he is entitled to turn aside with disgust. That the game yesterday afternoon did not wind up in a general knock-down-and-drag-out, or a well-established and altogether congenial contest between the heads and good judgment of the Richmond players and the valuable services of Deputy Fussell, Comstock Branch and other officers, was by timely and wise steps taken to prevent a dangerous riot. Certainly the Hill Climbers did all they could to bring on the trouble, and their proceedings were not only wicked, but caused the spectators to lose their tempers and deal out some blows to the rough-and-tumble visitors, but were exasperating, disgusting, nauseating to every respectable individual present.

## SOME EXPLANATIONS.

When the players started to score, stood it to be Explanations ran high, and the officers experienced great difficulty in keeping the people off the grounds. An extra inning had to be played, of course, to decide the contest. The Hill Climbers played well at first, but by Kain, Tate, and Foster, together with the rugged fielding of Knox, added three runs to their score.

With the score Climber in some way got in West End Park. The run of Tate would hardly have been shut out anyway.

However, Webster, who is one of the "dirtiest" ball-players that ever appeared on the diamond, did not long remain.

Cleve, Foster, and Tate, first base on balls.

Off Keenan, 1; off Cleve, 3. First base on balls. Keenan, 1; Foster, 1; Tate, 1; Strick, 1; Keenan, 1; Tate, 1.

Time of game—Two hours and twenty minutes. Umpire—Mr. Bailey.

batted out of the box the day before. The home team went their opponents three better. They found Foster for eight times, while getting twelve hits. Keenan kept his bat shattered to better advantage than Cleve, while Foster's work behind the plate was superior to that of Tate.

Knox, the third-base-man for the visitors, succeeded in making four atrocious errors. His efforts were awkward and weak. He not only failed to make the ball go to the right, but his temper and made about as complete a monkey of himself as could be found in a well-regulated Zoo.

The visitors made four of their runs in the first inning. After that they were shut out until the sixth, when they added one more to their record. In the seventh Valleyites did not get a man as far as third base. The home team's work was gall-edged. Kissinger, who was in the city this afternoon, and was interviewed by The Times correspondent on the political situation in Virginia, and especially in the Fourth congressional district, Major Page said he thought the Populist convention, called to be held at Lynchburg on the 23d of August next, would be a very large one. This convention, Major Page said, would adopt a platform for the party and consider other matters of interest. This State convention would be followed by district conventions to nominate candidates for Congress. Major Page told me that the party did not have any idea who the Populists would run for Congress from the Fourth district.

MAJOR PAGE ASKED TO RUN.

He himself had been asked to accept the nomination, but had declined. Major Page stated to your correspondent that he did not care to hold any position in the State, will play Newport News on Monday, and the college boys of Norfolk on Tuesday, both games being played on the home ground.

The Sunday-school convention of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, which was held for three days at Berea church, Drivers station, Nansesmond county, adjourned to-day. It represents a number of associations entered by 3000 persons on various subjects pertaining to Sunday-schools.

Rev. N. G. Newman, of this city, is president. Rev. W. M. Butler, of Berkley, secretary.

EFFECTS OF THE DROUGHT.

Sovereign Many Years—Mr. Branton's Den mark Saddle Mare.

STODDERT, LUMBERLAND CO., VA., July 20.—Special.—The crops in this section are suffering for the want of rain. Not one-third of a crop of wheat has been made, and the oat crop is a complete failure. We have not had rain enough since May 1st, and we are now in a shower so early that the corn and oats will be cut short. It is said by old people that such droughts have never been experienced before.

John E. Moore, from Lynchburg, Va., is visiting friends here. Miss Thelma Armistead leaves Tuesday for Blue Ridge Springs to spend the month of August.

Professor R. L. Blanton, of Lexington, Ky., is on his way to his old home at this place. He brought with him a thoroughbred Denmark saddle mare from the blue grass State. She is considered the best animal ever seen in this part of Virginia.

WHAT REPUBLICANS SAY.

The Republiican congressional convention to nominate candidates for Congress from this district will be held at Burkeville on the 20th instant. Among those whose names will probably be brought forward for nomination are Mr. H. C. Thompson, Mr. J. W. McLean, John M. Lanigan and Scott Wood. I saw Wood to-day, and asked him in regard to his acceptance of the nomination. He said he would be pleased to do so, but declined. Wood is one of the most intelligent colored men in the State. During the Republican administration he held a chair in the United States Internal Revenue office in this city, and now he is owner and editor of the Petersburgh Herald, a weekly newspaper published here in the interest of the colored race. Mr. A. S. Allen, a prominent lawyer of Washington, D. C., has executed a contract with Mr. C. H. Tinsley of this city, for the development of the property known as "Clyde," in Prince George county. This property is on the Appomattox river and is part of the original tract containing 5000 acres. Mr. Allen proposes to lay the property off into building lots, build residences, and establish plants of various kinds. He will also present to the colored people the Virginian Immigration Society, whose object will be to invite immigration to the new town. Mr. Allen, who is new to Petersburg, resides near Chattanooga, Tenn., and Chicago, which is visiting his uncle, Mr. C. Haskins, in this place.

ROYDION MATTERS.

Prospects of the Banks—Capt. Moore, who was Hurt, is Better—Pet. on.

BOYDTON, VA., July 20.—Special.—The two banks at this place are both doing well, and their reports show their business to be in fine condition.

Mr. W. A. Bryson, late of the firm of Bryson & Co., has sold his interest in the firm and will spend the summer in this place. Mr. Bryson was born and raised here and his friends are glad to have him and his family back again.

Miss Moore was very seriously hurt by an accident on the railroad near this place, mention of which was made ten days since, is greatly improved, and will soon be able to resume her duties.

Mrs. R. T. Thorpe, wife of our Commonwealth's Attorney, left here yesterday for the Faquier White Sulphur springs, where she will spend some time.

Fitzgerald, of Danville, Va., is visiting her uncle, Mr. C. Haskins, in this place.

Hoopar—Hooper.

NEW STORE, VA., July 20.—Special.—A very fine wedding was recently assembled at New Store Presbyterian church to witness the marriage of two of our most popular young people, Miss Namira Hooper and Mr. Holman Hooper, young people of the highest character.

Miss S. B. Davis played the wedding march, and the bridal party entered, Mr. Glen Hobelton and Miss Ellie Hooper, sisters of the young couple, and passed up the aisle to the waiting groom and his best man, Mr. Charles Clark.

Mr. George Hooper, brother of the groom, and Miss Mamie Hooper, sister of the bride, were the maid of honor, followed by the bride with her father.

The ceremony, performed by Rev. W. A. Dahney, pastor of the church, was pretty and impressive, after which the bridal party passed out in reversed order.

BUCKINGHAM NOTES.

BUCKINGHAM, N. Y., July 20.—Kennebunk held the Quakers down to six hits today. The visitors were able to score only in the ninth, when the ball being made off Keenan, the third-base man, and Foster, the right-fielder, each kept a cool head and played good ball.

McGann's work at second was below his usual high standard. His batting was weak, and he made two ugly errors at first.

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